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E34438	Nam Hing Yuen Hong	Sept., 1924	Ends white—420 Pkgs. Corr. Steel Bars
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E34628	do.	Nov., 1924	489—22 Bales Paper
E39787	Eastern Agricultural Fertilizer Co.	June, 1923	W.—345 Sks. Guano
E39788	do.	June, 1923	W.—107 Brls. Guano
E12672	Yick Tai & Co.	Nov., 1922	W.—250 Cases Beer
E16466	Oriental Overseas Co.	July, 1924	W.—50 Cases Cigarettes
E16473	do.	Aug., 1924	G.—9 "
F54944	do.		G.—55 Bales Narcissus Bulbs
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F. H. CRAPNELL,
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th October, 1927.

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NOTICE OF INTERIM DIVIDEND.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an INTERIM DIVIDEND of Three per cent. (3%) on the nominal amount per share paid up (i.e., Thirty cents per share on the share of the Company \$10 fully paid-up; and Seven-and-a-half cents per share on the shares \$2.50 paid-up), will be paid on MONDAY, the 17th day of October, 1927, in respect of the financial year to the 31st December, 1927, to the Members of the Company who are on the Register on SATURDAY, the 15th October, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th October, 1927, to SATURDAY, the 15th October, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
R. GUY WILKERSON,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, October 1, 1927.

NOTICE.

THE HONG KONG & CANTON ICE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2 Lower Albert Road, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, 22nd day of October, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th OCTOBER to the 22nd OCTOBER, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors
J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 6th October, 1927.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

G. H.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 17th day of October, 1927, at 8 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshuipo in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years commencing from July 1, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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1. A. R. M. W.	1.15
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9. A. R. M. W.	1.15
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HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hong Kong Club Annex, on SATURDAY, 29th October, 1927, at 12.30 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th October, 1927.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

LADIES' SECTION.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Ladies' Section will be held at the Helena May Institute on MONDAY, 17th instant, at 10.30 a.m.

BUSINESS:
1.—To receive the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th September, 1927.

2.—To elect officers and members of the Committee for the ensuing year.

3.—To transact the general business of the Ladies' Section.

M. MURDOCH,
Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 13th October, 1927.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

MESSRS. RAVEN AND BASTO

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are removing to Prince's Building, Top Floor (corner of Des Vœux Road Central and Ice House Street) as from the 1st of October. Lift entrance next Alexandra Cafe.

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Hong Kong, 29th September, 1927.

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Saturday 15th October and Sunday, 16th October, 1927 (weather permitting).

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By Order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.

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RENT CONTROL.

OPPOSITION FROM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A TEMPORARY CURE.

At the meeting of the Penang Municipal Commissioners, Mr. A. R. Thornton, one of the absentees from the last meeting, at which a resolution was passed to institute some form of rent control over defective property, said that he regretted to record his dissent. He represented the Chamber of Commerce and had taken steps to ascertain their views, which coincided with his. The Chamber thought the cure worse than the disease. The only economic way of dealing with the situation was by building more houses.

Mr. G. L. Ham, in reply, said that building houses meant time and only a certain number could be built in a year. Also labour conditions must be taken into consideration. His proposal was not intended as a permanent cure, but only as a temporary one, while they were endeavouring to find other measures.

The point at issue was whether they were going to do something which would take immediate effect or going to confine themselves to measures which at best would take some years to be felt. The resolution having been previously passed, the Commissioners went into committee to discuss the ways and means by which control could be applied.

PTOMAIN POISONING.

DEATH OF EUROPEAN IN BOMBAY.

Bombay, Sept. 21.

The death occurred this morning, of ptomaine poisoning, of Mr. Leslie Colorick Herne, who was well-known in local sporting circles.

Deceased joined the Bombay Branch of Killick, Nixon & Co. in 1919, at the conclusion of the War, during which he served with the first Canadian Contingent, and later with the Royal Air Force, winning the Military Cross.

He was a keen sportsman, playing rugby for the Bombay Gymkhana, and was whipper in the Bombay Hunt.

Mr. Herne was Secretary of the last Gujarat Cup Pig-Sticking Meeting.

He was 28 years of age and was manager of the shipping department of his firm.

RAIN AND ROSES.

England is all rain and roses, as the United States War Minister, a man with a powerful gift for generalisation, says.

I saw the perfect rubber-necks abroad in the London streets (remarks a "Daily News" writer). They were superbly equipped against the ruffianly assaults of the weather. One had great-coat and umbrella, with Baedeker peeping out of his pocket.

Behind him came his companions, protecting those biscuit-coloured plus fours—so loved by American youths—with clinging mackintoshes. England's rose—the secondary badge of our summer—graced their buttonholes. Sons and daughters of Cincinnati, they were off to study the City churches. "Do you know what doing London is?" asked one. "It's the very latest in aquatic sports."



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PACIFIC FLIGHT.

AUSTRALIAN'S APPEAL FOR \$3,000.

UNSINKABLE PLANE.

Captain Kingsford Smith and his companions, Lieutenant Keith Anderson and Mr. C. T. P. Ulm are leaving nothing undone to ensure the maximum of success with the minimum of danger in their flight across the Pacific to Australia.

All types of machines have been inspected and the opinions of American experts have been obtained and carefully studied. These experts strongly advise the use of a sea-plane.

Although they had previously intended to use the Fokker plane in which Captain Wilkins made his polar expedition, Captain Kingsford Smith now wishes to make the flight in a Sikorsky all-metal sea-plane, but this will cost an additional \$3,000. Whatever happens, whether it be in a sea-plane or a land machine, the Australian aviators are determined to make the flight.

New York, Sept. 10. "Recent events in trans-oceanic flights and expert advice tendered here, now prompt me to endeavour to secure a Sikorsky flying-boat."

This telegram has been received by Sir Hugh Denison from Captain Kingsford Smith, who asks him to appeal to Australians for an additional \$3,000 in order that the flight to Australia may be made in a Sikorsky flying-boat. Recent tragedies in long-distance flights have forced the Australian aviators to this decision, and they hope to hop off on their epic attempt from San Francisco at the end of September.

"The fliers point out that if they obtain the Sikorsky it will mean not only a minimum risk to life, but also that the machine would not be lost in the event of a forced landing," said Sir Hugh.

They think that they can arrange to cancel, without much loss, the purchase of the Fokker plane which Captain Wilkins used on his Polar expedition, but if they cannot get a Sikorsky they will still leave in a Fokker, as originally intended," he continued.

There is a great reaction here against any more hazardous flights, and Congress will be asked to regulate, but not prohibit, such adventures.

Experts particularly condemn trans-oceanic hops in land planes without radio-trained navigators as a needless sacrifice of brave lives. Public opinion is argued against dangerous flights as not advancing aviation.

Undoubtedly this feeling has influenced Kingsford Smith and his advisers to endeavour to take every possible precaution.

All that is Needed. The sea-plane is all that Captain Kingsford Smith needs to complete such precautions. He has been given an excellent wireless receiving and transmitting set which will enable him to use the naval radio beacon on the flight to Honolulu and for a thousand miles beyond, and also to ask and receive wireless directions from ships.

Sir Hugh Denison's interventions have led the American Navy Department to agree to permit the Wright Aeronautical Corporation to supply Captain Kingsford Smith with three whirlwind motors from those being built under contract for the navy.

This will give the fliers the engines a month earlier than otherwise would be possible. The whirlwind motor has been used on every successful American trans-oceanic flight, having failed only once.

Experts generally consider that it is the best American motor. Furthermore, it is said that Kingsford Smith and his companions spent the entire voyage from Sydney to America in the chart-room of the Tahiti, studying navigation.

Their American advisers believe that they have taken every precaution to insure success in their most ambitious venture.—Sydney Sun.

Seaplanes Necessary.

London, Sept. 10. Recalling the 21 English, French, and American aviators have lost their lives in 1927 while attempting long overseas flights in land planes, the aviation correspondent of "The Times" thinks that the disasters may be due to the fact that petrol tanks, arranged in any vacant space, are rendered unduly complicated at times, causing a temporary lack of fuel.

Legal prohibition of such flights is at present impossible. Although a simple alteration in the law might empower the Air Minister to forbid the most hazardous aviation would suffer thereby, because one man would be forced to decide the practicability of flights.

When science is developing so rapidly, continues the correspondent, that what is vision to-day will be reality to-morrow.

The Commonwealth Government's prohibition is wise, although the ban on land planes flying more than 50 miles from the land may be embarrassing and harmful under certain conditions.

The real remedy to stunt flying lies in the public no longer short-sightedly awarding praise for over-zealous flights, without paying due proportion to their scientific value.

The public should definitely discourage brave but foolhardy men gambling their lives on the chance of a short-lived notoriety. It should refuse to assist financially any man who is assured that the first boat carrying him to the other side of the world will be a cork life-boat.

FLYING CLUB.

PROPOSED HANGAR SELECTED IN SINGAPORE.

GOVERNMENT GENEROSITY.

The G.O.C. of Malaya, Major-General C. C. van Straubenzee, C.B., C.M.G., presided over a general meeting of the Singapore Flying Club which was held at the Europe Hotel on September 28, reports the "Straits Times."

In opening the meeting the Chairman commented upon the large attendance which he interpreted as a sign of success. He knew that they had all got their hearts in the club and would do their best to make it the success they all hoped it would be.

The Chairman then read the report of the committee, which stated that the question of a site for the club had been rather a difficult matter to deal with. In May last they were granted 10,000 square feet of land next the Yacht Club at a nominal rent of \$5.

Then the rumour came about that the Harbour Board intended extending their wharves in this direction, so the committee searched for another site.

Most Suitable Site. The most suitable one was the Old Fort site at Katong, but after negotiations had been opened for its acquisition, the residents protested so the matter was allowed to drop.

No other suitable place of land being within a reasonable distance of the town, they could not do better than erect the hangar on the site next the Yacht Club. Incidentally, a large piece of land than had been granted would be required, which would possibly involve the club in a small additional rental.

Provisional Arrangements. Not being at present able to build their own clubhouse, provisional arrangements had been made with the Yacht Club whereby members of the Flying Club automatically became visiting members of the Yacht Club for a first period of six months from the time the club became active, at the expiration of which period the arrangements would be reconsidered.

Steps had been taken to secure the attachment of a first-class engineer-rigger from the R.A.F. but the committee was not at present in a position to offer any definite information as to this. The passage and salary of such a mechanic would be payable by the Club.

Official Generosity. The Committee had nothing further to report, but would like to express their appreciation of the generous and spontaneous assistance of the Government, which it would be up to the members of the club to justify by becoming efficient pilots. The committee would also like to express their thanks for the untiring efforts of Mr. L. W. Learmonth, who had devoted a large amount of his leave to their cause and had been able to give extremely valuable assistance.

They suggested that Mr. Learmonth should be appointed Captain of the club for the year 1928.

The Chairman then moved a vote of thanks to the Government for the interest and generosity shown towards the club. On being put to the meeting the vote was carried unanimously.

Mr. Learmonth was then elected as Captain of the club on the proposition of Mr. Chapman.

The following committee was elected to deal with the election of new members:—Messrs. Holliday, Alexander, Harley Clarke, Ogger, Keith-Bon and Housley.

The rules which had previously been circulated were passed without comment.

Erection of Hangars. After some discussion it was decided that the full general meeting was not qualified to express an opinion on the tender received for the erection of hangars.

It was therefore decided that a sub-committee should be appointed and that Government should be invited to nominate a representative, and that Mr. Wood, the engineer in charge of the Air Base, should be invited to become an associate member. Messrs. Hill and Chapman were appointed as members of the sub-committee representing the club.

It was further decided that the committee should report the results of their deliberations before commencing operations.

At the conclusion of the meeting a vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Martin who remarked that as they had the support of H.E. the G.O.C. they were bound to go far.

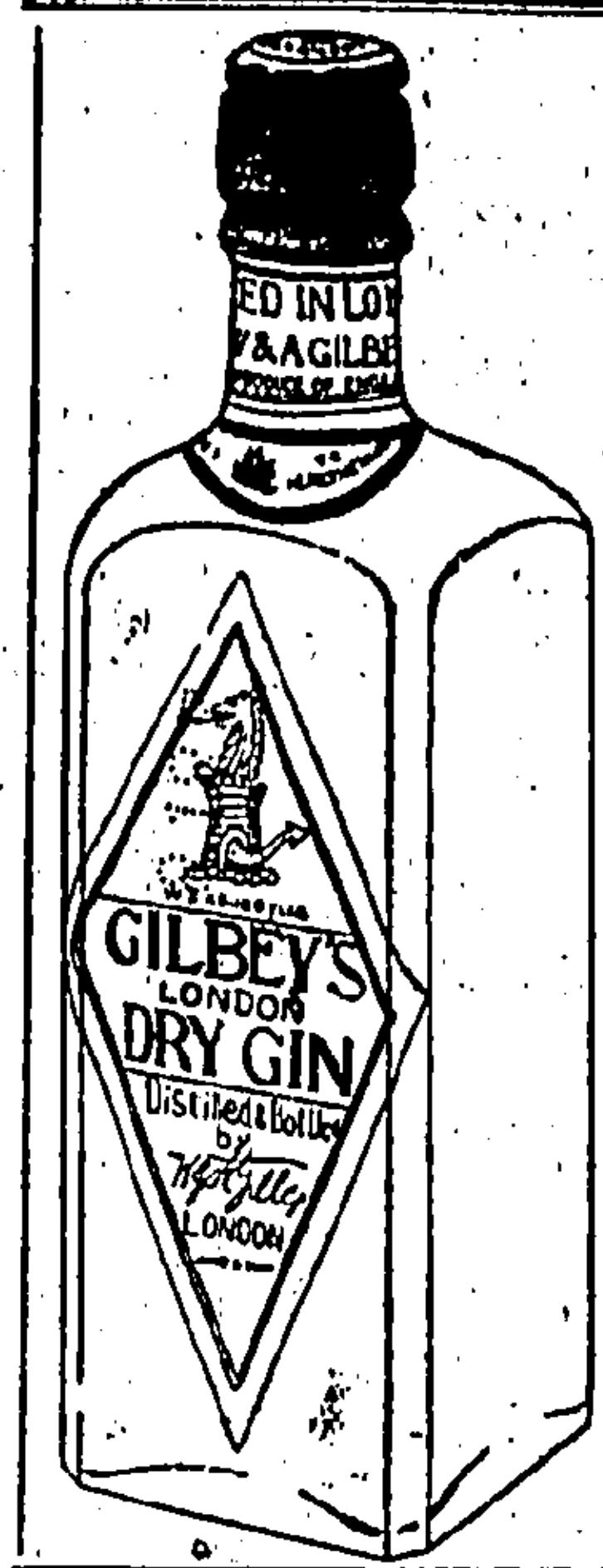
The Chairman responding said that what was far more important they had the wholehearted support of H.E. the Governor and High Commissioner.

FRENCHMAN'S "SOCK."

Gold and silver pieces, fished out of sayings bank socks and secret holes, still are dribbling into the Bank of France.

For nearly a year, on every week day there has been a line-up of people waiting to exchange good hard-earned money for the paper that is offered at the rate of about four to one.

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LOCAL FINANCE.

Another recurrent list of Votes is to be asked from the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council this afternoon. The Government, naturally, is quite satisfied that these Votes are essential—even unavoidable. The Finance Committee, including the Unofficial members thereof, it may be anticipated, will take the same view, and so another big drain will be made on the Colony's purse. A big spending Department like the Public Works cannot be starved. That is taken for granted. Equally true is it that after each successive typhoon there is expenditure necessitated of an unforeseen nature. But, where Votes running into thousands of dollars are requested, are the experts attached to each Department and the Finance Committee itself perfectly satisfied in their own minds that they are getting or will get full value for their money? Take one item only in the Supplementary Votes asked for this afternoon—\$1,200 as special expenditure on the road approach at Yaumati railway station. It is officially explained that this approach road requires repairing. If it did not, no Vote would be required, and therefore the "explanation" is superfluous. That by the way. Next we are informed that no provision was made in the 1927 Estimates for this work, as it was anticipated that maintenance of this work would be carried out by the roads department of the P.W.D. Seemingly this anticipation proved incorrect. The maintenance has not been carried out by the roads department. Why, we are not told. As a result, it is further explained, again superfluous—as the road is now in a very bad state. It is

advisable to put the work in hand as soon as possible, and it is considered more correct to pay the cost from a railway Vote. And so a Supplementary Vote of \$1,200—the estimated cost of the work—is requested. This sounds like false economy—but on this point we are quite open to correction. The state of this particular road approach must have been apparent to the authorities before the 1927 Estimates were framed. It must also have been obvious that month by month during the abnormally wet season its state would get worse. But seemingly it has not been touched—perhaps not even been looked at by the roads department, and now a Vote is required apparently much higher than what would have been necessary had ordinary maintenance been carried out by the properly constituted authority—the roads department of the P.W.D. Furthermore, there is no guarantee that the sum now required—\$1,200—will not be exceeded after the manner of most Votes of the kind. Still less is there any guarantee that the Government will get full value for its outlay—or at least the equivalent value that a private individual would have got for the same work. We have taken this item from the Supplementary Votes simply to demonstrate that the public, as well as the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council, have to take all such expenditure on trust. Theoretically the official procedure in such Votes may sound perfectly correct; in actual practice it may even be conceded that it is likewise in order, in say, seven cases out of ten. Some credit must be given to a Department for knowing its job better than the rank outsider and layman. But is it not possible to have an equal assurance not only in the majority of cases where large Votes are asked for, but in every case? That is a moot point. It brings us back simply to our old contention that until the Colony has at its command an expert financier who knows his job from A to Z we will go on taking every official Vote on trust, acquiescing in it simply because we can do nothing else.

Withstanding Quakes.
Almost daily reports come to hand of the occurrence of earthquakes "shocks" in some part of the globe or other, and their frequency gives rise to the query: What is being done or has been done to counteract the disastrous effect of these happenings? As a matter of fact, dealing for the moment with the material side of the problem, the art of earthquake-proof construction has engaged the attention of architects, engineers and architects

for a great many years. Whole books have been devoted to the subject, to say nothing of a host of articles in the technical journals. Nearly a decade ago the distinguished French seismologist, Count F. de Montessus de Ballore, declared that the art had already reached such perfection that only a few minor details were still a subject of controversy. After visiting the scene of the great Messina-Reggio earthquake of 1908, Professor Omori, the Japanese authority, expressed the opinion that out of every thousand persons killed in that terrible disaster, 998 must be regarded as victims of the faulty construction of buildings. Then we have the testimony of Dr. Bailey Willis, a veteran American geologist, who has lately returned from Chile, where he was sent by the Carnegie Institution of Washington to investigate the earthquake that occurred in that country. Dr. Willis said: "When it came to a point of a verdict which should place the chief responsibility for the disaster upon the right shoulders, we could not convict the earthquakes." He adds that when Nature gives warning after warning, but man remains heedless, he has but himself to blame for the consequences. "So it was in Chile, so it is in Japan, so it will be in California, or wherever else earthquake risk is carelessly regarded." This authority maintains that it is easy to make buildings earthquake-proof if you have the right materials and put them together according to certain principles which he sets forth. Old Chilean buildings pinned with wooden pins and tied with rawhide have passed through the quakes of a century without damage because they are both strong and elastic. Since, when a "shock" occurs, it is the earth that moves while the house stands still, one way of averting damage would be to put a ball-bearing between the house and its foundation. This plan has been applied in the construction of a Japanese lighthouse. Probably it could be introduced successfully in some combination of bearings, springs or shock-absorbers. An elevation sketch of such a constructed building would no doubt have a Heath Robinsonish appearance, but according to the experts there is something in the idea.

HELPING WOMEN.

ANTI-KIDNAPPING SOCIETY'S

WORK.

REVIEW FOR PAST YEAR.

The work of a local society whose object is to aid in the detection and suppression of kidnapping, especially of girls and women, and to shelter such girls or women as have been kidnapped in the interior and brought to Hong Kong for sale or emigration is reviewed in the annual report of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, which will be laid before the Legislative Council today.

The Society is the Po Leung Kuk Society, which was founded in 1878, and it is supported by subscription and service by the Chinese on whose initiative it was founded.

Society's Objects.
It not only manages the Po Leung Kuk, but acts as an advisory committee to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, in all cases affecting women and children, and Chinese family life generally, which are often extremely difficult and tedious. It corresponds when necessary with charitable institutions of China, traces parents of lost children or ill-treated and mistreated women or girls who choose to go. When parents or relations cannot be traced, the Committee arranges for the girls in its care to be given in marriage (never as concubines) or in adoption, always under bond and always with the consent of this office; and in every case this office ascertains the girl's willingness before giving consent to either adoption or marriage.

Work Accomplished.
The number of inmates of the Po Leung Kuk on January 1, 1926, was 61 and during the year 299 persons were admitted as against 269 in 1925.

24 women and girls were admitted under warrant and 217 were admitted without warrant. Of the remainder 16 were lost children; 4 were accompanied by parents or guardians, and 39 were maid-servants or "mul-tai" who had left their masters or mistresses.

On leaving the Kuk 146 women and girls were restored to husbands or other relatives, 21 were sent to charitable institutions in China, 11 were released in adoption, 4 married, 75 given (6 released under bond), 4 sent to convent or refuge and 1 died. The number of inmates remaining in the Kuk on December 31, 1926, was 46.

S. C. A. ACTIVITIES.

ASSISTING IN EMIGRATION

WORK.

PRECAUTIONARY WORK.

The following extracts are taken from the report of the Secretariat of Chinese Affairs, which will be laid on the table at to-day's meeting of the Legislative Council:

The number of female and minor passengers examined and allowed to proceed abroad was 29,636 (women 19,591, girls 2,797 and boys 7,248) as compared with 15,082 in 1925, a remarkable increase of almost twice as many.

The record of the occupations of the female emigrants over 16 years of age shows that out of a total of 19,591, 6,323 were going to join relatives, 5,674 with relatives or husbands, 884 as tailresses, 700 as prostitutes, 5,272 as maid-servants or nurses, 5 as students and 266 to work on the land. There were also 13 actresses, 25 hairdresses and 19 nuns.

Prosecutions under the Women and Girls' Protection Ordinance undertaken by this office number 9 with convictions in the case of 6 persons as compared with 7 cases and 5 convictions in 1925.

The figures for the year in respect of male emigrants assisted shows an increase of 40 per cent. on the number for 1925.

The number of persons reported by Hong Kong residents to the Po Leung Kuk as missing during the year was 86 of whom 8 were found, as compared with 34 and 12 in 1925. The total number of persons reported missing including reports from China and Macao was 39 of whom 8 were found, as compared with 12 out of 39 in 1925.

The Chinese Hotels which come under the Secretariat's supervision are run very much on the lines of European Hotels, and are licensed for the sale of alcoholic liquors. There are now three houses of this class in the Colony, the "Great Eastern," the "Stag," and the "Mel Chow" which was added to the list in the course of the year. One house the "Oriental" closed during the year.

Sub-Inspector F. W. Shafton continued in charge of the S.C.A. Force during the year, and is again to be commended for the good work done, especially with the detective branch. The uniformed branch still lacks the attentions of a special European police officer; it is hoped that this defect will be remedied in the near future, and this branch on the Force rendered thereby more efficient. Arrangements have now been definitely made to alter the uniform to one of a more modern pattern.

Hospital Work.
The total number of in-patients admitted to the Tung Wah Hospital during the year was 7,518 as compared with 8,713 in 1925 and 9,410 in 1924. Of these 3,975 (or 53 per cent. as against 50 per cent. in 1925) elected to be treated by European methods.

The out-patients number 153,485 as against 139,805 in 1925 and 197,798 in 1924, and of these 22,972 or 15 per cent. as against 33 per cent. in 1925 chose European treatment.

The number of destitutes temporarily housed and then sent to their homes was 548 (449 in 1925); most of whom were sent to the Hospital from this office.

The total number of in-patients admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital during 1926 was 6,138 as compared with 6,695 in 1925. Of these 4,738 or 77 per cent. as against 72 per cent. in 1925 came under European treatment, while 1,400 elected to be treated by Chinese methods.

The Colony's most talented amateur artists are being gathered together for the Navy League concert which, by kind permission of the Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd., will take place at the Queen's Theatre on Friday, October 21. In addition the Jutland Battle film will be shown.

The concert is under the patronage of H.E. The Officer Administering the Government, the hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, H.E. The General Officer Commanding, Major Gen. C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., Admiral Tyrwhitt, and Vice Admiral Boyle. Booking will open at the Queen's Theatre on the 19th instant. Seats are \$3 each.

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

Looks as if Hong Kong "harbours" some pirates!

Senior Partner—I have some very valuable papers here. Can you advise me concerning a safe place for them? Junior Partner—Yes, put them in the filing cabinet. Nobody can find anything there.

Mrs. Brunt—Man's a tyrant, isn't he, John? Blunt—Really, my dear, I hardly. "Is he or is he not?" "He is."

The Bore—When I took up golf the doctors gave me only two years to live! The Other (hopelessly)—How long ago was that?

Butterfly: C'm on, kid; gimme a kiss. Cuthbert: Oh, no: I have grave trepidations.

Butterfly: Aw, that's all right; I'm vaccinated.

When a boy finally gets to college the first thing he wants to do is take it apart.

Mother: Are his intentions perfectly honorable? Flapper: I'm afraid so.

There was an old man in Madrid. Who used to chew matches. He did?

He did. And what's more? Split them out on the floor. Which is not being done in Madrid.

When the Gilbert and Sullivan company were in Newcastle a short time ago a sturdy citizen approached one of the members in the lobby of his hotel.

"Maybe you can put me right," he said. "I was at your show last night, but I didn't have a programme. Which is Gilbert? I recognised Sullivan easy, but Gilbert had me beat."

"So you found the weather scorching on your holiday?" "Dreadful! Why, it was so hot that when a man with a cool thousand a year proposed to me I accepted him on the spot."

James (proposing)—"I've saved up enough money to live at the rate of a thousand a year." Janet—"Oh, how splendid!" James (finishing)—"For about three months!"

An old farmer found himself travelling in the snipe compartment with a bishop. "Curate, are you?" he asked. "Well," replied the bishop, modestly, "I was once." "Drink," I suppose," said the farmer sympathetically.

A harassed-looking old gentleman was rushing hither and thither round the big store.

He dashed into the lift and shot off upwards; next he was seen descending the stairs leading to the bargain basement three at a time.

Once more he reappeared. This time it was on the second floor. He was very short of breath, his tie was disarranged, his hat had disappeared, and his hair stood on end.

A floor-walker approached him, and in that suave manner for which all floor-walkers are known, inquired—

"Are you looking for something in men's clothing?"

"No, no," roared the harassed one; "not men's clothing—women's clothing! I've lost my wife."

"Sandy," the little son of Lady Patricia Ramsay had ten the other day with the Queen.

Feeling rather lonely without the Lascelles children and Lord M'Duff, who are out of town, who is a restless child and always wanting "to play," demanded to romp with Princess Elizabeth.

"She is too young yet," replied the Queen. "That's just it," said Sandy, lowering his voice confidentially, "girls are so useless."

A certain Welshman was the proud possessor of a very fine bass voice. Meeting a friend one day, he confided that he had had a remarkable dream.

"Dream? I was in a mighty choir," he explained. "Oh, but it was splendid! There was such a choir as you've never seen. Five thousand sopranos, five thousand altos, five thousand tenors, all singing at once double forte. Oh, magnificent!"

His friend gasped with amazement.

"But," suddenly, continued the singer, "the conductor stopped the lot, and, turning to me, he said: 'Not quite so loud in the bass, John Jones!'"

An American mining engineer was spending a few days in Wales, and, having become friendly with a local miner, asked the latter to show him round.

"The American was quite unimpressed, and inclined to sneer at most of the things he saw."

"Say," he remarked, "we've mines back home, so deep that it takes half an hour to go down and half an hour to come up."

"Well," said the miner, "that mine there is deeper. It takes half a day to go down, and the same to come up."

"Apple sauce," sneered the other, "what is the use of that?"

OMNIPOTENS.

Religions and cults are as sands of the sea.

Some hoary and some puerile:

Theosophist, Protestant, Buddhist, Parsee,

Mohammedan, Catholic, and Jew.

By miracles, martyrs, and holy authorities

Each proves its right to dominion—

But the actual God of the mighty and just

PUBLIC OPINION.

INDIAN FACTIONS.

MOSLEM GETS 14 YEARS' IMPRISONMENT.

POLICE WATCHFUL.

Delhi, Yesterday. Police precaution is being taken in all important cities following the murder of Swami Satyanand, who was stabbed by a Moslem on October 10 named Rajpala, which was followed by the murder of another Hindu at Lahore. Satyanand's assailant has been sentenced to 14 years' rigorous imprisonment. Pandit Indra, son of the late Hindu leader, Swami Shradhanand, has been arrested and charged with publishing anti-Moslem articles in his vernacular newspaper "Arjun." He has been sentenced on bail of £15,000.—Reuter.

PRUSSIAN LOAN.

AMERICA BUSY WITH FLOTATION.

New York, Yesterday. Objections to the six million sterling Prussian State loan having been withdrawn, Messrs. Harris, Forbes and Company, are heading a syndicate handling the loan. It is announced that bonds will be offered on Thursday at 96½ to yield about 6.28 per cent. The issue is in the form of six per cent. sinking fund gold bonds due on October 15, 1952.—Reuter's American Service.

OIL RATE WAR.

STANDARD STEALS A MARCH.

Calcutta, Yesterday. A petrol rates war has begun here with the result that the price has fallen by one rupee four annas per unit of eight gallons. It is alleged that the Standard Oil Company of New York has procured large stocks consigned by the Soviet Government which the company is offering for sale in Bombay and Calcutta. Consequently the Asiatic Petroleum, the Burma Oil, the Indo-British and other companies have reduced their rates to dealers buying large quantities, who are said to be hoarding stocks hoping for big profits after the rate war, which is not likely to last long.—Reuter.

AUSTRIAN LOAN.

HUGE SUM FOR PRODUCTIVE PURPOSES.

London, Yesterday. The committee of the guarantor states of the Austrian Reconstruction Loan has met in London and decided to authorise Austria to raise a loan to the maximum amount of 725 million Austrian schillings (twenty-one million sterling) for productive purposes, as, for example, the electrification and other developments of the Federal railways and improvements to the postal and telegraph services.—Reuter.

BRAZILIAN LOAN.

SEVEN MILLIONS OFFERED IN ENGLAND.

London, Yesterday. Particulars of a big Brazilian loan are published. Seven millions sterling are offered for subscription in this country. This is part of an issue of eight-and-three-quarter millions sterling of Brazilian six and a half per cent. bonds, the balance of which will be offered in Holland, Switzerland and Sweden. At the same time approximately a similar amount of external sinking fund bonds namely, forty-one and a half million dollars is being offered in New York. The bonds are offered at 91½ per cent. and the issue is expected to be promptly oversubscribed.—British Wireless Service.

FIRE THREAT.

DOZEN BLOCKS DESTROYED IN AMERICA.

New York, Yesterday. Fire threatened to destroy Ocean City but was finally controlled by dynamiting all buildings in the path of the flames. Nearly every building in a dozen blocks in the centre of the city lies in ruins.—Reuter's American Service.

CHINA NEWS.

(Continued from page 1.)

PAID FOR IT.

Money Prizes Bring Influx of Prisoners.

Peking, Yesterday. Several internment camps are being prepared around Peking to cope with large batches of prisoners arriving in the capital. Many are being sent to Tientsin and it is understood that these will later be despatched to Mukden.—Reuter.

Young Marshal's Claims.

Peking, Yesterday.

A special message from Chang Hsueh-liang in Paoingfu assures the public that the reported victories are not mere rumours but are actual facts. The young Marshal states that up to the 11th inst. his troops captured 30 guns, more than 100 machine-guns, 10,000 rifles and great quantities of munitions and equipment from the Shansi-ites.

Shansi Cut Off.

Peking, Yesterday.

As a result of Chu Yu-pu's capture of Shihchiachwang the main Shansi army, operating southward at Paoing-fu has been cut off from railway communication with their base, and it is believed that they will be forced to retreat to their own province over mountains with only second-rate roads. Hence Fengtien anticipates that only a disorganised fraction is likely to succeed in making its escape.—Reuter.

That Attack on the Rear.

Peking, Yesterday.

It is officially stated that the Fengtien troops, moving from Sino, have captured Hwailu (southern sector), west of Shihchiachwang and also that all the Shansi troops who were outside Niangtzekuan Pass have been cut off from Shansi. Chang Tso-lin wired to Chang Tsung-chang at 7 this evening instructing him to press the attack against Feng Yu-hsiang along the Lung-Hai Railway with all possible strength.—Reuter.

Mrs. C. C. Wu's Arrest.

Tientsin, Yesterday.

Madame C. C. Wu was arrested by the military police when boarding the "Hwasan Maru" for Shanghai after having been on a visit to her mother, Lady Ho Kai, Mme. Wu was escorted to the police headquarters, where she is still detained. Her mother and other relatives have, so far, made unavailing attempts to interview her. No reason for the arrest has been announced, but it is assumed that she is held as a hostage. Mme. Wu's visit was partly for health reasons and her arrest is occasioning anxiety among her relatives and friends.—Reuter.

Martial Law.

Changsha, Yesterday.

A labour procession to restart the labour unions was followed by a meeting in the public hall yesterday. A bomb incident took place. The inauguration was not very successful. Martial law has been put in force.

Kiukiang, Yesterday.

Chief Commissioner C. C. Wu, Sun Fo and others passed through to-day for Nanking, and Hsu Chung-chih and others for Shanghai. Nanking, Ichang and other Yangtze ports are quiet.—British Naval Wireless.

UNIVERSITY EXAMS.

GROWING POPULARITY IN FAR EAST.

Evidence of the increasing popularity of the Matriculation, Senior and Junior Local Examinations conducted by the University of Hong Kong is afforded by the large number of candidates who have registered for examination in 1927. The total number of candidates registered is 1,001, distributed as follows:—

Boys	804
Girls	68
Matriculation and Senior	532
Junior Local	97

Total 836 165

Candidates have been entered by schools in Shanghai, Canton, Singapore, Penang, Semarang, Batavia and Soekaradja.

No less than 874 candidates are being presented by schools in the Colony as follows:—

Boys	255
Girls	63
Matriculation and Senior	462
Junior Local	84

Total 711 167

WAGON LITS HOTELS.

The 24th annual general meeting of the Grand Hotel des Wagons-Lits, Ltd. will be held at the Company's registered office, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Saturday, October 14, 1927.

COLONY'S FINANCES.

\$46,000 VOTES BEFORE COUNCIL.

MORE TYPHOON DAMAGE.

The following votes will be placed before the Finance Committee at to-day's meeting: Public Works, Recurrent: Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages, Kowloon, Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages, \$28,500.00. Provision made in Estimates, \$10,000.

Provision made by Supplementary Vote, \$64,000. Total \$74,000.

The provision to date only covers the estimated cost of the damage done in prior to the 20th August last.

Estimate for reinstatement of damage occurring prior to the 20th August last (including \$15,000 for damage to Police Pier) \$74,000.

Estimate for reinstatement of damages in Kowloon due to the Typhoon of 20th August last \$28,500.

Total \$102,500.

Sum provided in the 1927 Estimates \$10,000.

Sum provided by Supplementary Vote Message No. 11 item 88 (which only covered the balance required for reinstating damage prior to the 20th August last) \$64,000.

Total provision to date \$74,000. Sum now required \$28,500.

New Kowloon Damage.

Public Works, Recurrent: Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages, New Kowloon, Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages \$7,500.00. Provision made in Estimates \$30,000.00.

Sum estimated to cover the making good of damage which occurred prior to the 20th August, 1927 is \$21,000.00.

Sum estimated to cover damage caused by the Typhoon of the 20th August, 1927 \$16,500.00. Total \$37,500.00.

Amount provided in 1927 Estimates \$30,000.00. Sum now required \$7,500.00.

The "Beckwith Bell."

Harbour Department:—Stores and Equipment for Lighthouses; Repairs to "Beckwith Bell" \$6,672.00.

During the Typhoon which struck the Colony on 20th August, the "Beckwith Bell" with the exception of the mechanism, striker, and cylinders, (which had been removed for overhaul) was totally destroyed.

The Swedish Trading Company who erected the Bell in 1924 quoted £655 for all necessary parts delivered insured £ Hong Kong.

The repair of the Bell will be undertaken by the P.W.D. A supplementary vote for \$6,672 (£655) is accordingly requested to meet this unforeseen outlay.

A Tennis Court.

Public Works, Extraordinary:—To lay a tennis court and erect walling to I.L. 947 \$20,000.00.

Under Clause 4 (c) of the conditions of surrender of the area from I.L. 947 required for the new Robinson-Conduit Road Government contracted to lay a new tennis court and erect the necessary walling in condition therewith. The lessee later verbally requested that the new tennis court be not proceeded with as he wished to retain the area for the erection of garages. He is now unable to proceed with this scheme and wishes the tennis court laid. As the vote for the work is closed, authority for the expenditure is necessary.

Yaumati Station.

Kowloon-Canton Railway: Special Expenditure, Road Approach to Yaumati Railway Station \$1,200.00. The approach road to Yaumati Railway Station required repairing.

No provision was made in the 1927 Railway Estimates for this work as it was anticipated that maintenance of this road would be carried out by the Roads Department of P.W.D.

As the road is now in a very bad state it is advisable to put the work in hand as soon as possible, and it is considered more correct to pay the cost from a Railway vote. A Supplementary vote for \$1,200—the estimated cost of the work—is therefore requested.

New Pumping Station.

Public Works, Extraordinary: Hong Kong Waterworks, Eastern Pumping Station \$495.00.

A sum of \$494.85 equivalent to £50 is required for Crown Agent's account for part payment of Consulting Engineer's fee in connection with a proposed New Eastern Pumping Station, the scheme for which is for the present in abeyance.

Quarry Bay School.

Education: Incidental Expenses. Provision of soil for Garden at Quarry Bay School \$250.00. Provision made in Estimates \$6,000.

Sufficient funds are not available under sub-head No. 7 to cover cartage and deposit of 2,000 c. ft. of black earth.

The garden in the temporary premises formed part of the educational activity of the school and it is very desirable that this should be continued at the new school. To postpone this for inclusion in the next Estimates would mean the loss of the 1927-28 garden season for which other preparations have been made by the school.

COMFORT FOR THE AGED.

Old people are easily tired out and weakened by confinement. For them there is much comfort in a bed of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It keeps them awake nights and wears out their strength. Every bed should contain no matter how small a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is a life-saver.

CINEMA NOTES.

"THE SONG AND DANCE MAN" HERE.

TO-DAY'S QUEEN'S FILM.

Scores of pretty chorus girls take part in "The Song and Dance Man," the notable Paramount film which comes to the Queen's Theatre to-day with Tom Moore and Bessie Love as the leading players. These girls are members of George White's famous musical comedy revue, "Scandals," the magnificent fun number of which is reproduced as one of the settings for the film.

"The Song and Dance Man" is woven round the adventures of a vaudeville player who seeks to gain a footing in New York but instead finds himself the central figure in a dramatic situation that brings sudden fame to the young girl dancer he has befriended.

The story of "The Song and Dance Man" has been adapted from the great stage hit of the same name and is unfolded in the film in highly original. Most of the settings are in New York's theatre-land. They afford excellent glimpses of backstage scenes, the spectator in effect being taken among the players as they are rehearsing before the empty theatre.

The acting in "The Song and Dance Man" is of a high order, Tom Moore having caught the spirit of the title role in admirable manner, and Bessie Love possessing both the charm and the talent necessary for the part of the young dancer who leaps into fame. "The Song and Dance Man," therefore, is a picture that should be greatly enjoyed.

"THE AIR MAIL."

The chief picture in the new continuous programme at the Star Theatre to-day is "The Air Mail," a modern melodrama in which a band of crooks devote their efforts to robbing planes carrying valuable. The picture has many exciting moments, such as the flight of a plane through hall, snow and rain, to get the mail through on time, a man jumping from a plane with the precious cargo, and a battle in the air between a mail plane and two rival bands of crooks. The featured players are Warner Baxter as the daring air mail pilot, Billie Dove as the young girl who wins his love, and Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. as a youth who idolises the pilot and later saves the mail through the use of a parachute at a critical moment.

"The Air Mail" was produced by Irvin Willat, the man who made "Wanderer of the Wasteland."

"THE PRAIRIE KING."

Beginning with the colourful scenes of a typical Spanish fiesta in a border town, "The Prairie King," which is the feature attraction at all performances in the World Theatre from to-day to Saturday, moves along in strong, plausible sequences to the happy ending.

The story takes its first dramatic turn with the reading of a will made by an eccentric old miner naming three persons, each not known to each other, as the heirs to a rich gold mine. Woven into the exciting events that follow is a charming love romance.

The hero of "The Prairie King" is Hoot Gibson, and it need hardly be said, with such a star, that most of the action takes place out of doors with plenty of hard riding and brisk scrapping, and a laugh for every thrill.

BENEFIT OF DOUBT.

CHINESE CONSTABLE DISCHARGED.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Major C. Wilson discharged Chinese constable Tang Wai-tong who was charged with intimidating and assaulting an unlicensed hawk to prevent the latter from giving evidence against the seven policemen of the Hawkers' Department; and with misconduct as a police constable.

The defence was opened by Mr. D. McCallum yesterday, and a Chinese woman who stated that she was the accused's "sworn sister" gave evidence.

She said that the complainant, Man Cheung, demanded from her the refund of \$5 which had been paid to save a fellow hawk from arrest. In spite of this payment, the hawk had been taken into custody, hence this demand. An altercation followed between her and the complainant in the course of which the accused interfered and assaulted the complainant.

At the conclusion of this evidence, Major Wilson decided that there was not sufficient evidence to support the charges brought by the prosecution, and the accused was given the benefit of the doubt and discharged.

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MEAT FIRM'S SUIT.

CLAIM \$500 FROM LOCAL CAFE.

DEFENDANTS VICTIMISED?

A claim against the Bombay Cafe (Kowloon) and Sahih Mulli Khan, proprietor, was made by the Kowloon Butchery Co. and Stall No. 48 in the Summary Court this morning, the amount claimed being \$529 for goods alleged to have been supplied.

Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios represented plaintiffs and Mr. C. A. S. Russ the defendants.

Evidence was given by the manager of plaintiff cafe as to his having collected custom and as to conversations between the defendant and himself with Mahomed Rafaj acting as interpreter.

Subsequently, the defendant's cook called and made certain orders and the goods were supplied.

In the course of cross-examination, Mr. Russ suggested that Mahomed Rafaj and the cook had been in league to defraud the defendant firm which denied having received the goods.

Several witnesses were called and the case was eventually adjourned.

SIX-STOREY FALL.

FRACTURED LEG THE ONLY INJURY.

Max Herman, a mechanic employed by the Esco Shoe Company, fell from the sixth floor of the Luneta Hotel, Manila, at 2.30 on the morning of October 5 and escaped with a fractured leg. Found in front of the hotel a few minutes after his fall, Herman was taken to the Philippine General Hospital where it was first believed he was the victim of an automobile accident. Investigation of the sudden absence of all lights in the hotel, and Herman's subsequent statements, brought out the story of his accident.

According to Herman's story, which was corroborated at the hotel, he is 26 years old and a German subject. He arrived in the Islands about two months ago.

On the night of October 4 he registered at the Luneta Hotel and obtained a room on the sixth floor. His name on the register was simply "Herman." He left the building shortly after and returned about 1.30 a.m. A room boy offered to show him to quarters. The boy later stated Mr. Herman was intoxicated.

When Herman reached his room he gave the boy a note to be delivered to a woman whom he had met in Shanghai and who now resides at the hotel. The boy returned with the answer that the woman could not see him.

The note was written in Russian and has been translated as follows: "Please come down and see me. Important. I shall not ask you again."

A few minutes later Herman was found unconscious in the street in front of the hotel. At the Philippine General Hospital, he said he had been drinking and in attempting to return to the lobby became confused and fell from the window.

The long fall was interrupted when he struck and broke the lighting wires, plunging the house in darkness. He next struck the eaves and bounced outward and down to the ground. Herman probably owes his life to the wires which broke the force of his fall.

In an added statement made to the police, Herman denies an attempt to commit suicide.

FOR SALE.

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NOTICES.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB. NOTICE. THE SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS will be drawn at the Jockey Club Stables, Causeway Bay, on FRIDAY, 14th October, 1927, at 5 p.m.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary. Hong Kong, 13th October, 1927.

GRAND HOTEL DES WAGONS-LITS, LIMITED. (Incorporated under the Companies Ordinances of Hong Kong).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the Grand Hotel des Wagons-Lits, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Exchange Building, (2nd floor), Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 29th October, 1927, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended on the 30th June, 1927, confirming the appointment of Directors, and re-selecting Directors and the Auditors.

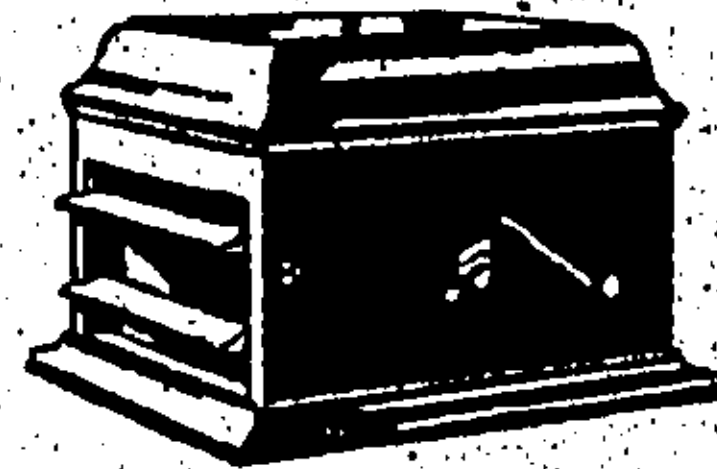
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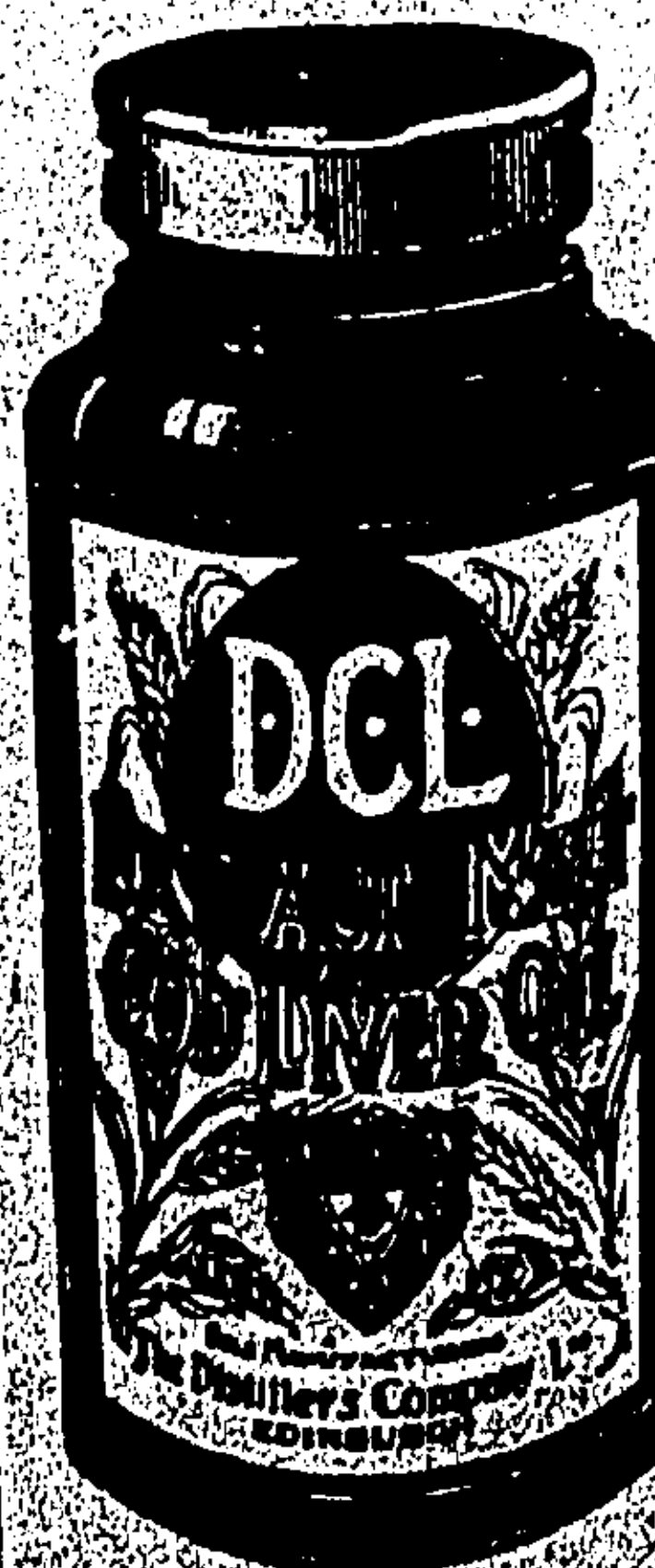
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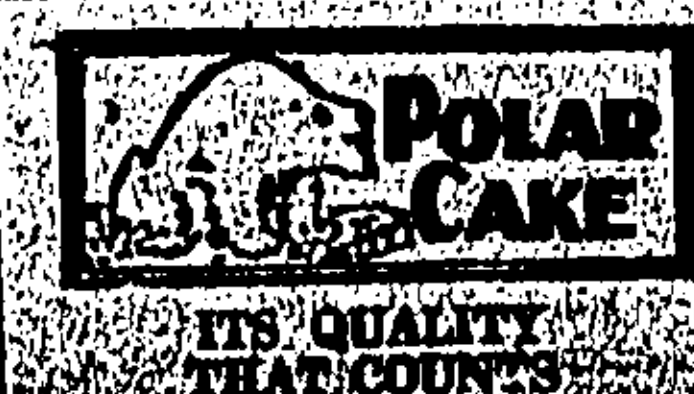
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Perhaps fewer people see the Foreign Office List than even the London Gazette, and it may be as well, at least as far as confirmed residents in Shanghai are concerned. Referring to this publication for details on another matter, one opened the book at random and was confronted with a page telling members of the Diplomatic Service what they must wear on specific occasions, even to the last button and coat linings, and how to put on their clothes. On the opposite page was the startling heading:—"Unhealthy Places (revised July, 1921)," and in the list was Shanghai! It matters not that accompanying it were Higo (Kobe) and Kobe (see Higo), also Chefoo, Dairen, Nagasaki, Mukden, Nipingo, Sochow, and a host of other places where one goes for a holiday, but the Health Department really ought to send some vital statistics to the Foreign Office.—"N.C.D.N."

Among the interesting events depicted in the topical gazette being screened at the Queen's Theatre to-day is the launching of Britain's latest 10,000-ton cruiser, H.M.S. "London," and the inauguration of the Eucharistic Congress by Cardinal Boggiani with great pomp at Bologna. The gazette shows events that took place little more than three weeks ago, having been sent to Hong Kong by the Siberian route.

Shabbily dressed and bare footed, a Chinese youth presented himself to the ticket seller on the Victoria Ferry wharf on the mainland on Tuesday night with the request to be allowed to sleep on the wharf. The request being ignored, the youth who appeared to be a lunatic departed to sleep under a verandah opposite the wharf. Early the next morning he made a dash on to the wharf and before anyone could stop him, took a plunge into the harbor. An alarm was raised, a boat was sent to rescue him, but in but no trace of the youth could be found. After what appeared a long while the supposed suicide bobbed out of the water and immediately dived again when efforts were made to rescue him. When the 'bobbing' one made his second appearance, he was grabbed and dragged on to the wharf, where he calmly explained that he did not want to die, but had merely jumped in for a fresh. He was taken to the Yaumatei Police Station whence he was later removed to the Lunatic Asylum.

The death is announced at Tampa, August 14, blackwater fever, and Lieutenant John A. Arty, of Sutherland Highlands, and younger son of the late Mr. George Duke and Mrs. Duke, Seattle, Washington. Lieutenant Duke was commissioned at Sandhurst in 1890, and two years later was stationed in the Gold Coast, where he was stationed until February of last year, when he was invalided home and came to the city of blackwater fever. He returned to the Coast in February following, and died at DuPont on August 14.

Many local residents are returning to-day by the P. and O. s.s. "Iacaredona." The Hong Kong list includes—Lieut. J. I. M. Ashby; Mrs. N. Mrs. H. Bickford; Mr. W. G. Cree; Miss O. Bruty; Mr. V. C. Bone; Mr. L. Byron; Miss Chesworth; Mr. A. and Mrs. E. J. Coe; Rev. A. O. Cooper; Mr. T. C. Cameron; Mr. M. Macdonald; Mr. D. Dinman; Mr. W. J. Fitzpatrick; Mr. L. M. and Miss Gillespie; J. K. Gwinnell; Sir Henry Holland; C.B.E.; Miss H. Gilmore; Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Garrett; Sub-Lieut. D. R. Hodson; Comdr. L. H. Leach; Mr. G.W. Hawkins; Miss Elizabeth Johnson; Lieut. C.A. Jenkins; Mrs. Lamour; Mr. D. A. Matheson; Mr. F. A. Maykanda; the Misses MacKenzie; Mr. H. C. Maden; Mr. G. Merriam; Mr. F. Vast; Mr. Morgan; Mr. D. E. McKeown; Mr. S. Nielsen; Mr. H. E. Nicholson; Mr. G. Potts; Eng. Comd'r. J. Tatnell; Lieut. B. J. Robertson; Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Smith; Mrs. M. St. John; Miss A. E. Steel; Mr. Thompson; Sub-Lieut. J. H. Thorne; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Williams; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilson; Mr. and Mrs. W. Woodman; Mr. and Mrs. W. Woodman; and Mr. and Mrs. W. Woodman.

Details of the death of Mr. R. Munton, Woodville, the famous artist, who was found shot in the back in his own studio in London, were handed. An old friend, Mr. ... was in the house at the time ... heard a shot. He rushed into the studio and found the artist ... in this state, with a revolver ... in his hand. The gate ... through the ...

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LAWN BOWLS.

POSTPONEMENT OF INTERPORT MATCH.

GAME WITH POLICE TO-DAY.

The interport match with Shanghai will not take place to-day owing to the inclement weather of the past two days rendering the ground unfit for a game of such importance. This morning no rain fell and it is therefore hoped that the Shanghai interport team will play the Police Recreation Club on the latter's green.

The date for the interport match cannot be fixed until the weather is more settled, but it is hoped that it will take place on Saturday or Monday.

This morning the Shanghai players paid a visit to the Craighower C. C., on whose green the interport match is to be played. They seemed satisfied with its "drying" properties, and if the rain only holds off it might be normally fast for the big game in a day or two.

LOCAL CRICKET.

KOWLOON CLUB'S LIST OF FIXTURES.

This season the K.C.C. have arranged for 52 matches, as follows:—

1st XI.	
October	15th, H.K.C.C. (F), home.
	22nd, K.O.S.B. (F), home.
November	5th, Volunteer Sports, home.
	12th, R.A., home.
	19th, I.R.C. "B" (L), away.
December	3rd, Craighower (F), home.
	17th, I.R.C. "A" (L), home.
	24th & 26th, Navy (F), home.
	31st, Army (F), home.
January, 1928	2nd, Children's Sports.
	7th, Garrison (F), home.
	14th, Craighower (L), away.
	21st, C.S.C.C., home.
	23rd, Inter-Club, home.
	28th, Navy (L), away.
February	4th, H.K.C.C. (F), away.
	11th, University (L), away.
	18th, C.S.C.C. (L), away.
	25th, R.A. (L), home.
March	3rd, C.R.C. (L), home.
	17th, Army (F), home.
	24th, H.K.C.C. (F), home.
April	7th, United Services, home.
2nd XI.	
October	15th, H.K.C.C. (F), away.
	22nd, University (L), away.
	29th, "Tamar" (L), home.
November	5th, C.R.C. (F), away.
	11th, 10.30 a.m., Army 2nd XI (F), home.
	19th, R.A.F. (F), home.
December	3rd, "Tamar" (F), away.
	17th, H.K. Electric (L), away.
	24th, Navy (L), away.
	31st, Club de Recreo (F), away.
January, 1928	7th, Police (L), away.
	14th, R.E. (L), home.
	23rd, Inter-Club, home.
	28th, A.A.O.C. (L), home.
February	4th, H.K.C.C. (F), home.
	11th, University (F), home.
	18th, Police (F), home.
	25th, C.S.C.C. (L), away.
March	10th, Club de Recreo (L), home.
	24th, "Tamar" away.
	31st, H.K.C.C. (F), home.

MACAO RACES.

CHANGE OF STEAMER.

We are notified that there has been a change of steamers for the races at Macao on Saturday. The s.s. "Lungshan" instead of the "Sui An" will sail at nine a.m. Saturday morning.

The following selections have been contributed by a Club official:—

First Day.
The Saturday Novices' Race, 3 Furlongs—Chin Shan, Chick To, Perversity.
The Second Selling Plate, 4 Furlongs—Wai Chow, Six Hundred, Castle.
The Stangwan Plate, Half Mile—Mayfair (late Sunburst Rose), Chow Teze Lon, Baccarat.
The Governor's Cup, 1 1/4 Miles—Wild Yellow, Hon Sin, Baccarat.
The Third Selling Plate, 5 Furlongs—Wu Chang, Yee Yuen (late Jolly Kid), Sutherland.
The Macao S.C. Plate, Once Round—Sutherland, Shanghai Friend, Solar Day.
Second Day.
The Whang Ho Plate, 7 Furlongs—Festive Eve, Mayfair (late Sunburst Rose), Punchal (late Dunwell).
The Hong Kong Visitors' Cup, 9 Furlongs—Hon Sin, Ma Kau Siao, Leaf.
The Fourth Selling Plate, Half Mile—Wuchang, Chin Shan, Yee Yuen (late Jolly Kid).
The Steamboat Company's Cup, 1 1/4 Miles—Mayfair (late Sunburst Rose), Baccarat, Leaf.
The Sunday Novices' Race, Half

SIR JOHN C. CLEGG.

HONOUR FOR FOOTBALL LEADER.

OVER FIFTY YEARS.

Mr. J. C. Clegg, the president of the Football Association, has been awarded a Knighthood by the King. In addition to the great national game, Sir John, as he will now be known, is the Official Receiver of Sheffield, and he has taken a prominent part in the public life of the Yorkshire city. His brother William is also a knight as well as a former Lord Mayor of Sheffield. Sir John, who is a solicitor, is seventy seven years of age, and he has been identified with football for over fifty years. He succeeded Lord Kinnaird as the head of the game. As a young man he was one of the leading athletes in the country. On the running track he won seventy prizes, being able to cover a hundred yards in even time, and he was the fastest amateur over a quarter of a mile. He held the same prominence in football. From 1867 to 1878 he was famous for his art as a dribbler, and he took part in the first international match with Scotland. Another distinction was to appear in the first final for the F. A. Cup.

But to the present generation Sir John is chiefly known for his work in connection with the Football Association. He has ruled with a rod of iron. Every rule, he has insisted, should be obeyed not only according to the letter, but in the spirit implied, and the evil doer has seldom escaped. One of his favourite sayings is: "Nobody ever got lost on a straight road." As a legislator he has always been respected as well as feared. No matter what the consequences might be, he would not hide any scandal. More than once others would have hushed up cases. He, on the other hand, has never hesitated to take the public into his confidence, and tell the truth. He celebrated his jubilee in sport two years ago, and he was presented with an address and £1,000 by the Football Association, who also endowed a bed in the Sheffield Hospital in his name.

HOME SOCCER.

SCOTS DEFEAT IRISH IN INTER-LEAGUE MATCH.

In an inter-league match the Scottish beat the Irish by two goals to one at Belfast.
In a friendly game Cardiff beat the Corinthians 2/1 at Stamford Bridge.—Reuter.

LOCAL GOLF.

LADIES' SECTION MEDAL COMPETITION.

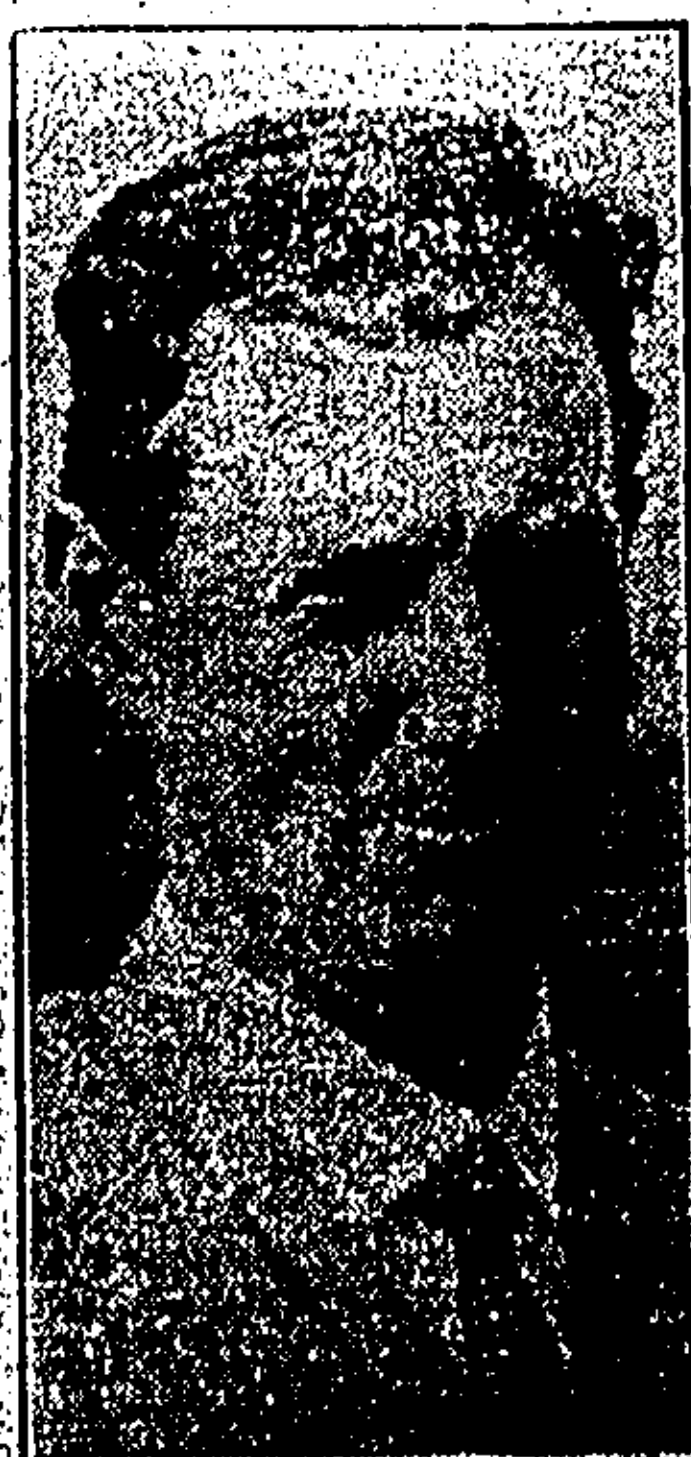
A medal competition on the New Course, Fanning, was held on Tuesday and was won by Mrs. Whyte-Smith with a score of 100—9—81. The prize or members with handicaps of over 20 was won by Mrs. Leggett and the consolation prize by Miss Fothergill. The latter prizes were presented by Mrs. Boylan-Smith.

The annual general meeting of the Section will be held at the Holens May Institute on Monday the 17th instant at 10.30 a.m.

THE CESAREWITCH.

WON BY EAGLE'S PRIDE AT 9 TO ONE.

London, Yesterday.
Eagle's Pride won the Cesarewitch at 9 to one. St. Reynard was second (8-1) and Nevermore third (60-1).
There were 30 runners.
Won by a head; two lengths between second and third.—Reuter.



Old, New, and General Blather of George's, Mr. Clegg, who has been a member of the Association for over fifty years.

THE R.H.K.Y.C.

REPORTS FOR COMING ANNUAL MEETING.

A SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The 23rd annual general meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club will be held at the Club House, North Point, on Wednesday, October 19, when the following reports will be received:—

The general committee reports that during 1926-1927 they had a very busy and successful year in all branches of their activities, particularly afloat.
The Commodore, Mr. E. W. Carpenter, went on Home leave in January. Rear Admiral A. J. B. Stirling left during the year, and a most successful farewell dinner was held in the Club House in his honour. Commodore J. L. Pearson, on his arrival in the Colony, kindly accepted the invitation to join the General Committee.

The Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. Oliver, left for Peking in December last, and the Club were fortunate in securing the services of Mr. F. J. Easterbrook to succeed him. The Committee record with sincere regret the death of one of the most popular rowing men and ex-rowing captain, Mr. Donald Logan.

Last year's report gave a total membership of 425, of which 168 were shown in the absent list, most of which should have been struck off under Article 18. The present list of Members of all classes has been brought up to date, and those now shown as absent, comply with the Articles. Altogether 198 names have been struck off the register this year, of which, the application of Article 18 accounted for no less than 174 (being over 12 months on the absent list).

The increasing popularity of the Club is clearly shown by the fact that 49 new Members were elected during the year, notwithstanding the general state of affairs in the Colony. The addition of 71 new subscribers also proves that the Club is appreciated by the Services. One Lady Member was elected.

The number of Members now stands as follows:—
Resident Members 196, Subscribers 52, Ladies 2....250.
Absent Members 50, Subscribers 45, Ladies 5....100. Total 350.

Turning to the accounts the Income and Expenditure account shows an excess of expenditure over income of \$78.79 as against \$281.98 in the previous year. In making a comparison with last year, however, it should be noted that a number of new items of expense have been charged during the year under review; these are:—

Proportion of the cost of returning the Bowling Green, \$100.13; Depreciation of Boats, Oars Equipment, etc., \$670.60; Regatta held last April, \$541.39; Donation to the Library, \$150.00; making a total of \$1,462.02.

On the Balance Sheet the entrance fees credited to reserve account show an increase of \$300 on the previous year.
Two very successful races for the Trevesa trophy were held during the year, both of which were won by the Java China Japan Line.

The New Committee recommended to make a special effort in obtaining a greater number of entries for the next race, which takes place on Wednesday, November 9 next. The Rules have been amended this year and are being reprinted. Copies of these will be sent to all shipping offices in the Colony.

The Articles of Association and Bye Laws have been reviewed during the year, and the thanks of the Club are due to the Sub-Committee who re-drafted regulations in their present form. Messrs. A. L. Shields (Convener), H. S. Rouse, H. R. Cleland and F. G. Vaux. Special thanks are due to the latter for his invaluable help in drafting and for legal advice. The main points covered in the alterations to Articles are briefly as follows:—

(1) Permitting the appointment of a Rear Commodore; (2) Deleting age limit of Members to admit of Gun Room Officers joining as subscribers; (3) Strengthening the ballot from one blackball in 4 to one in 6; to exclude; (4) Enlarge the scope for inviting people of distinction to become Honorary Members; (5) Opening the list of Subscribers to Midshipmen; also to Commissioned Officers of H. M. Dominions; (6) Raising the Rowing Committee to the same conditions as Sailing Committee; (7) Yachting Committee now called Sailing Committee; (8) Subscribers governed by Articles and Bye Laws.

Yacht-owning members are asked to study the regulations posted in the Club affecting the obtaining of Admiralty Warrants granting permission to fly the special Blue Ensign of the Club.
The Club Cruiser mentioned for the first time at the Annual Meeting last year has been built, equipped and is in great demand by Members and Subscribers. The "Typhoon" has a long keel, and fully justifies the prophecies of her joint designers, Messrs. H. S. Rouse and V. Goulbourn, to whom the Club is greatly indebted. A second keel was laid down on similar lines for two keel Service Members, and we hope "Cherlew" and "Typhoon" will be followed by other boats in this very practical, reasonably fast, small cruiser class.

Sailing Committee.
The Sailing Committee reported:—
We have again to report a most successful season, throughout which, racing took place from the Club on practically every Saturday. Before the season had started the Club had already sailed 100 times.

The third race brought out a fleet of 10, the greatest number that have crossed the starting line since the "Typhoon" was launched. The race, which at the commencement was sailed in a fresh breeze produced some very good times. "La Cigale" time for the 7 1/2 miles being considerably under 12 1/2 hours and "Lady Jean" followed her home within a minute.

The placings were as follows:—
1st, "Typhoon", winner by 1 minute 41 seconds from "Lady Jean" with "La Cigale" 2nd, "Cherlew" 3rd, "Queen Bee" 4th, "Adder" 5th, "Norwegian" 6th, "Dorothy" 7th, "Following" 8th, "Oscar" 9th, "Brenda" 10th, "Queen" 11th, "Completing" 12th.

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Trevesa Trophy Races.
These were held on November 3, 1926, and April 20, 1927, and were both won by a boat from the same vessel of the Java China Japan Line the s.s. "Tijasaroe". In the first race Mr. Koelstra was in charge of the boat and he won a very good race from Mr. Dalziel's s.s. "Hail Ning" of the Douglas Line.

For the April race, Mr. Gelauf had the command of the J. C. J. L. boat and won from Mr. Chaplain in a boat from the P. & O. "Assaye".
During the Season, Mr. H. S. Rouse resigned the Sailing Secretaryship and his place was taken by Mr. J. R. L. Stanton.

Rowing Committee.
The Rowing Committee reports:—
Great activity and interest has been shown in the Rowing Section during the past year. More events have been put up, and these have been strongly supported.

Opening Cruise.—At the Club's Opening Cruise on November 6, there were two Club events:—Club Fours and Club Pairs.

The Fours consisted of the following:—V. R. Jones, E. Rasmusson, J. R. L. Stanton, H. Dreyer, R. O. Keen, A. C. Groves, W. R. Andrews, K. S. Robertson.
The start was all that could be desired, the boats getting off in fine style in comparatively smooth water and slack tide. Dreyer's crew rowing with more rhythm than their opponents, obtained a head at the 4 mile, which they gradually increased in spite of some well backed spurs by Robertson. The race was won by 4 lengths.

Club Pairs.—There were three entries for the Pairs:—V. R. Jones, A. C. Groves; W. R. Andrews, K. S. Robertson; J. R. L. Stanton, H. Dreyer.
Jones and Groves managed to get a slight lead early and held it all the way, followed by Stanton and Dreyer, who were just ahead of Andrews and Robertson.

Hong Fours (Hornell Cup).—The entries for the Hornell Cup rowed on January 18, 1927, were:—P. W. D. W. R. Andrews, K. S. Robertson, J. R. L. Stanton, H. Dreyer, R. O. Keen, A. C. Groves, W. R. Andrews, K. S. Robertson.

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THE WORLD OF BOOKS

STORIES FROM BOOKS

According to Mrs. A. M. W. Stirling, who tells the story in her book of recollections, "Life's Little Day," a certain German prince, who became related to Queen Victoria, used to annoy her by his linguistic errors: "Struck by the freshness of British complexions, he one day observed to the Comptroller of the Household: 'I do admire your English ladies. They have so very beautiful hives!' Then observing a thundercloud on the brow of the Queen, he added, without intentional facetiousness: 'Ah, I do get what you call the Victoria cross.'"

The author says there was a finally, a decisiveness about Queen Victoria which brooked no palaver: "During one of the many revolutions in Bolivia, the English Minister was insulted and ill-treated. When news of this outrage reached the Queen, she was highly indignant. She sent for an atlas, and silently studied the position of the offending country, then she folded the map up and returned it to the Minister in attendance. 'Bolivia, she announced conclusively, is erased from the map.'"

In his book of memories, "Seventy Years a Showman," "Lord" George Sanger reveals the secret of that great circus attraction, Madame Stevens, "the Pig-faced Lady." "Madame Stevens was really a fine brown bear, the paws and face of which were kept closely shaved, the white skin under the fur having a close resemblance to that of a human being. Over the paws were fitted white gloves, with well-stuffed fingers, so that the pig-faced lady seemed to have nice plump white arms above them. The bear was strapped in a chair at the back of the caravan, clothed in female dress, shawl, cap, the poke bonnet of the time, etc. In front was a table at which the seeming lady sat, her paws being laid upon it, and all the rest of the body from the arms of the chair downwards hidden by drapery. Under the table was concealed a boy with a short stick to make the pig-faced lady talk." The boy's mission was to prod the bear when questions were addressed to it, an attention which naturally elicited grunts. After levying a contribution from the audience, "to buy the lady small comforts and luxuries," the showman would conclude: "Now, Miss Stevens, you will return thanks to the ladies and gentlemen for coming to see you." Whereat the bear would growl loudly, to the great gratification of the departing sight-seers.

One of the best of the many good stories told by Sir J. M. Smith in his extremely entertaining book of reminiscences, "My Life Story," is about the proprietor of a certain Sydney evening newspaper, who was of a somewhat morose disposition, and whose staff were not generously remunerated for their services. Once, however, "he expanded to one of his literary hacks. 'I'm thinking of having a coat of arms for the paper by way of a decoration,' he said. 'Can you suggest anything?' The pressman was ready with the suggestion that Warwick's arms would be very suitable. To conceal his ignorance the proprietor said, pompously, 'Just so, just so.' Later he went to the trouble of looking up Earl Warwick's arms and found them to be a bear with a ragged staff."

The "Putnam Book News" prints the following: "Little Boy (at school): 'The people of London are noted for their stupidity.' Teacher: 'Wherever did you get that from?' Little Boy: 'From this book, ma'am. It says 'the population of London is very dense.'"

When staying at Highclere, Lord Carnarvon's seat, Lady Frederick Cavendish, whose "Diary," edited by Mr. John Bailey, has recently been published, met Mr. "Bobby"

Lowe, whom she describes as "highly agreeable." At breakfast "Lord Carnarvon told us his brother Alan in his young days, wishing to learn to swim, was dropped overboard in deep water; went to the bottom, was fished up, and immediately said he would try again; and so proceeded till he learnt to swim. This extraordinary anecdote was capped by Mr. Lowe, who said his father (or was it his grandfather?) as a powerful young man, being capsized in the River Trent, held his breath and walked along the bottom to the shore! Wonderful to have two such undeniable instances of courage in water related by two people next each other."

In alluding to the silence which seems to be a natural part of the Cavendish temperament, and the extreme lengths to which it was sometimes carried, Mr. Bailey quotes a story told by Sir Algernon West in his "Recollections": "He relates that the 5th Duke of Devonshire and his brother (afterwards first Earl of Burlington and great grandfather of Lord Frederick Cavendish) were travelling to Yorkshire, and "were shown into a three-bedded room. The curtains of one of the four-posters were drawn. Each brother in turn looked in and went to bed. Towards the close of the next day's posting one brother said to the other: 'Did you see what was in that bed last night?' 'Yes, brother,' was the only reply. They had both seen a corpse."

ARNOLD BENNETT.

Charming Short Stories.

Mr. Arnold Bennett never wrote a bad story in his life. Even his failures have something good in them. His tendency to be prolix, to describe too minutely the events and landscapes of his stories never obscures his real talents of observation and irony.

So, in the book of short stories now published, a book beginning with a long-short story describing a modern woman almost better than she has ever been described before, there will be much found to admire. Cora, this modern and entirely useless lady, is described with enough humour to make the presentation not entirely unsympathetic. The author, beholding her, has reached the philosophical stage when he calls no thing common nor unclean.

Included in this story is a passage which exactly hits off a certain type of wealthy, cultured, American, with a tendency to "up-lift." It is so gracefully done that many Americans will not observe the irony, says the "Sydney Sun."

A very definite advance will be noted in these short stories, stories mainly of the misunderstandings between men and women, and that is an advance in geniality. In his earlier books the author occasionally failed in this very important philosophical quality. With ripeness of years has come mellowness. Such a story as "One of their quarrels," with its capacity for entering into the sentiments of both parties, would have been attacked ten years ago in a far more "superior" fashion.

Out of the very slight "material" of an umbrella left by an absent-minded brother in his sister's house, Mr. Bennett turns out the best short story in the book, a lesson to young writers on what can be done on the very slightest motive.

There are many books of short stories published now-a-days—the fashion seems to be changing from that of a few years ago, when publishers looked askance at the short story. This is one of the best published for a long time.

["The Woman Who Stole Everything, and Other Stories," by Arnold Bennett; Cassell.]

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WOMAN—THE HUNTER?

What has happened is that woman has tried to hunt the bachelor for something over a hundred years, which is quite a new thing. The bachelor is a new product. There were bachelors in Greece, but they were exceptions. In the Middle Ages, if a man was not a priest he married, as a rule early. He might treat his wife badly, might desert or poison her, but he married. There was a shortage of men, owing to the wars, but women had a far better chance of marriage than they have to-day. The reason is simple, though I have not seen it published elsewhere. Until quite recently a single man who did not happen to live with his family was extremely uncomfortable. The great hotels of to-day did not exist, but only inns and coffee houses, which were very suitable for conviviality, but most unpleasant to live in, noisy, dirty, and often unsafe. The clubs, which became so important in the days of our grandfathers, did not exist. A young man had to fall back on the sanded floor of a coffee house. He encountered bad cooking, and no one mended his clothes; it is not remarkable that he married as soon as he could. It was the only way to be comfortable.

That is why women must hunt instead of being hunted. Man no longer wants to be married; when he is overwhelmed by love, or lonely he marries, but in principle he would rather remain single. As a bachelor he hopes to have more money, more liberty, and more popularity. He has become shy, and that is why he must be hunted if he is to be captured at all.

But even so, is it true that woman is the aggressor and man the victim? Here we stand on rather delicate ground, for we have to rely not so much on what we see as on what we are told. We can hardly expect the truth from everybody, and perhaps anybody. A woman who relates at length what her admirers said and did, who gives you a list of the proposals she has received, and who says she can no longer stay in a certain house because all the sons have proposed to her, is looked upon as a fool. On the other hand, the man who tells you that his morning mail is made up of letters from admiring women, and that he must conceal his business address because women ring him up at the office, is not regarded as a fool, but as a bouncer.—W. L. George, in "Eve."

MORE ABOUT ANATOLE FRANCE.

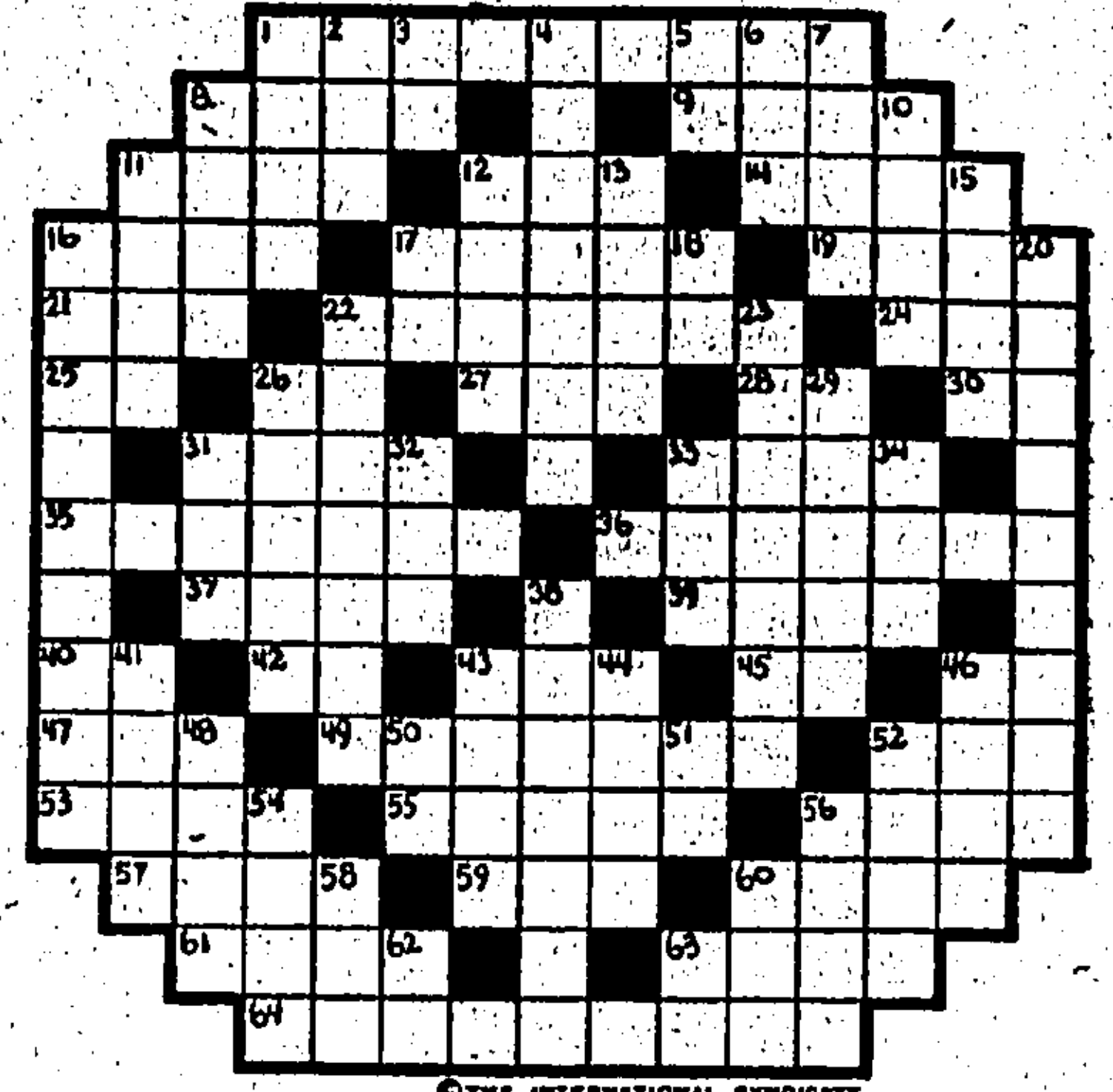
Sandor Kemerl was for a time secretary to Anatole France; she is a Hungarian, and seems to have been really more nurse than secretary. She travelled with the old man in the south of Europe, when his powers were failing and his love of classic story led him to be photographed on the steps of classic churches, in the Roman Forum, in Dante's forest, and on the Pincio. This vanity of the great frontist has been sneered at by such great writers as Guedalla, and probably, some of the Smiths; but it is rather an endearing human trait. The super-man is likely to be better loved for his displays of human weakness. This book is only one of many which have appeared since France passed out, but it is better than most of the others in its portrayal of the man and his follies. ["Rambles with Anatole France," by Sandor Kemerl; Benn.]

EAST AND WEST.

In the slums of Peking little Hsiao, a sort of Chinese edition of Kim, was scorned because of his white descent. Picked up at last by his American father, and educated in U.S.A. under the name of C. Howe, he was sometimes scorned under the mistaken belief that he was half-Chinese. He long retained some Chinese ideas; thus he soon decided not to marry Bess Grayley when he found that she proposed to be the head of the household in the most up-to-date Western fashion. The "west end" of the book is of mediocre interest only; the brief sketch of the life of the white wail in Peking is much better. ["In the Shadow of Lantern Street," by Herbert G. Woodworth; Hutchinson.]

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, glow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

1-Catapulted.
 3-A circle around the moon.
 9-To invade suddenly.
 11-Vile.
 12-To blemish.
 14-A small river duck.
 16-An armored car with guns.
 17-Walked.
 19-A journey.
 21-To free from.
 22-Care.
 24-A resinous substance.
 26-Article.
 28-Nickname for "mother".
 27-Habitat of an animal.
 28-Preposition.
 30-Prefix. Again.
 31-Not all.
 32-Spell.
 33-Point where the sun crosses the equator.
 35-Luggage.
 37-To break suddenly.
 39-At that time.
 40-Established church (abbr.).
 42-For example (Latin-abbr.).

HORIZONTAL

43-Liquid juice of plants.
 45-Initial of a president of U. S.
 46-Right (abbr.).
 47-To steal.
 49-A wide lower part of a tidal river.
 52-Perceive.
 53-Found in chimneys.
 55-Found in chimneys.
 56-Part of the body.
 57-Bright.
 58-An alcoholic drink.
 60-A group of people working together.
 61-End.
 63-Sediment deposited by water.
 64-Well pleased.

VERTICAL

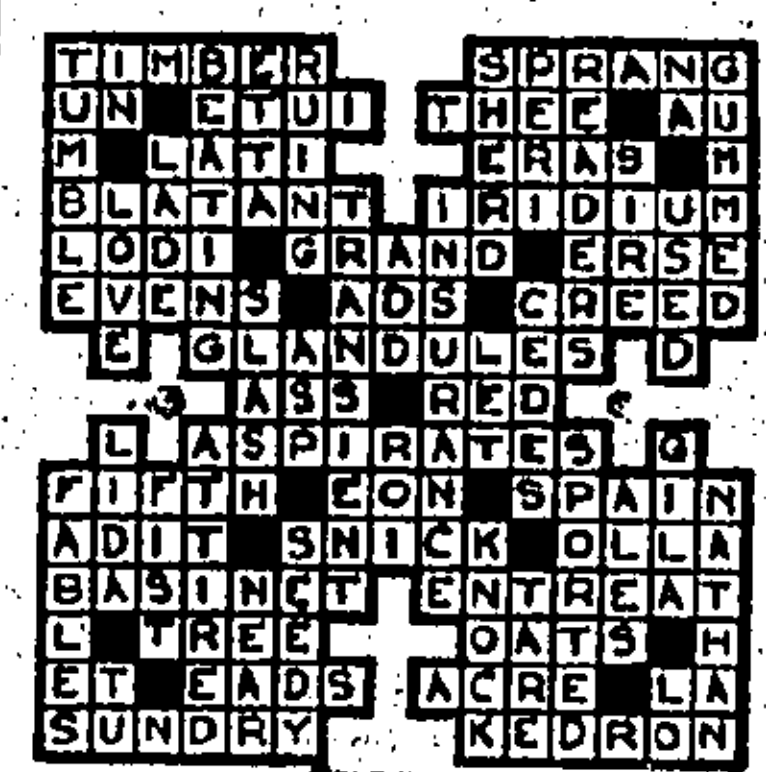
1-Damp.
 2-A large deer.
 3-In this manner.
 4-Performed over again.
 5-British (abbr.).
 6-Consumed.
 7-Regular course of eating.
 8-Part of a limb.
 10-To move swiftly.
 11-Falling moisture.
 12-Girl's name.

VERTICAL (Cont.)

13-Strap used to control draft animals.
 15-Preventor.
 16-Those who journey.
 17-The Keystone State (abbr.).
 18-Perform.
 20-Hindered.
 22-Messengers.
 23-Disobedient.
 25-A State in the U. S.
 29-A wild beast.
 31-Secretion from inflamed tissues.
 32-A spinning toy.
 33-A rodent.
 34-Girl's name (abbr.).
 38-Ejecting.
 41-Moderate low temperature.
 43-Male deer.
 44-Hurt.
 46-460 sheets of paper.
 48-A high shoe.
 50-Bachelor of Science (abbr.).
 51-Red Cross (abbr.).
 52-A sitting place.
 54-Tallies, jumping amphibian.
 56-Gripped.
 58-A desert.
 59-To lash.
 61-Late Latin (abbr.).
 63-Street (abbr.).

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



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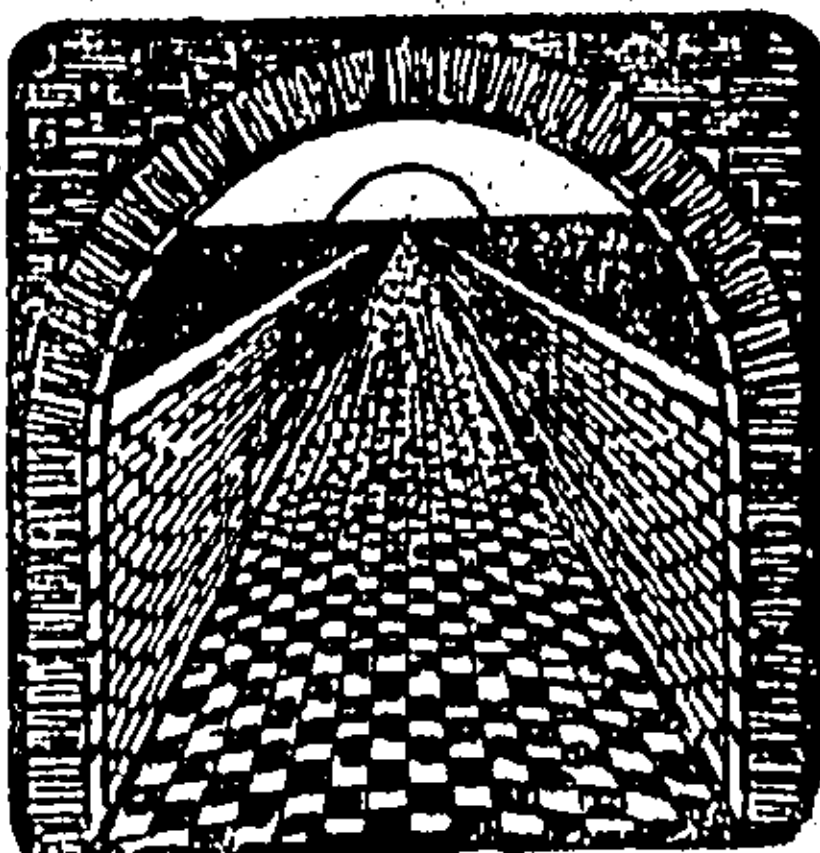
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THE LIDO.

STRANGE SCENES ON A
BATHING BEACH.

ORGY OF NAKED FLESH.

Mr. Hannen Swaffer writes in the "Daily Express":—
There are no Lido ladies. I had not been on the Lido half an hour the other day, before seeing Jack Hulbert, who produced "Lido Lady" in London, I pointed to his bathing drawers, and said: "You're over-dressed."
The Lido is an orgy of naked flesh. Adam had nothing on this. The Garden of Eden at least grew fig leaves.
A few days before, in Paris, when I saw the Dolly Sisters' revue, I agreed with the poets that the human form was divine. Perhaps it looks better behind the footlights. Besides, there it is powdered until it is as white as marble.
Give it a few hours of the Lido sun, and it becomes as red as Christmas beef.

King Fud.

What King Fud of Egypt thought of the Lido no one knows. Although he had a special bathing pavilion all to himself—No. 1 in two long rows of two hundred tented shadiness—he stayed nearly always in the hotel. In a week he entered his pavilion only once. For most of the time—except when he watched the glorious parade of decorated gondolas, the finest sight seen in Venice for fifty years, and on another night when they gave him a special dinner in a sort of glorified cabaret—he kept within the seclusion of his rooms. Perhaps he was shocked. In Egypt, they only behave like that in harems.

What is the Lido like? Millions must have asked, in the last few years, during which it burst into sudden fame. It is a four-mile stretch of sand, only a quarter of an hour's journey from Venice in a motor-boat.

The moment you land on the island you walk through a vast lounge, in which you see people sitting around and having tea in pyjamas. In the American bar, too, they wear pyjamas. In the large restaurant underneath their lunch and dine in pyjamas.

Some of them wear dressing-gowns of the most brilliant hues. Most of them look very funny. For the rest of the day they lie about on the sands. Comparatively few condescend to bathe. They merely bask in the sun and grow hot and red. They discuss their various shades of red and brown.

Opposite Poles.

Only a quarter of an hour away, immediately after I had watched for hours this orgy of fleshiness, I saw a man with a sword and a three-cornered hat stopping women from going into the wondrous of St. Mark's because their arms were bare. To think that, within two miles, you could have two opposite poles—bare arms were "immodest," according to the notice in St. Mark's; bare legs were almost overdressed on the bathing sands just across the silver waters of the broad Lagoon.

There are few English at the Lido this year. The Americans are the most earnest in their desire to get red; the Germans are the most efficient; over at this new-found game—then, in some bathing places on the Baltic, the Germans strip absolutely nude. So they call the Lido's idea of bareness almost excessive modesty. I, as a dramatic critic used to bare-leg revues, must confess that I was shocked.

Wonderful City.

If you stay in Venice you can get a good bedroom at a first-class hotel for sixteen shillings a night—and in the most wonderful city in the world. You can go over to the Lido in fifteen minutes in a private motor-boat for little more than the equivalent of a shilling, and, if you have a friend who has a pavilion, you need pay nothing more to be as nude as you like.

Every now and then they take moving pictures of the pyjama parade. Women wearing elaborate silk pyjamas, merely bought for show, are the proudest of peacocks when the filming begins. They wear silk bows to their pyjamas. They wear ribbons on their pyjamas—and nightgowns. They walk about it for hours almost at a time. What would look indecent in a London hotel becomes overdressiness here.

There is some sort of gala fete every night—and jazz—but they wear evening dress for that; otherwise, all day they bask in the sun. For the first few minutes you are shocked. Then, even if some of the baskers become amorous in their embraces as they lie on the sands a few yards from you, you get used to it that you only yawn.

I saw several modest women, whom I have seen most proper on the stage, or who have been very polite to me at tea, suddenly rush into their bathing pavilions, and come out wearing pyjamas, although if they were seen in them in the corridor of a London hotel they would shriek with horror. These are the very proper ones, too.

Others, when they lie on the sands, after a bath, unfasten the straps of their bathing-dress and let them flow round their bodies, so as to show the sun as much as they possibly can.

MARRIAGE VOID.

ORPHAN IS FREED FROM
OBLIGATIONS.

BROUGHT FROM CHINA.

Judge Diaz in Manila declared void the marriage of Juana Maria Concepcion Cue, a minor, to Alejandro Fernandez Chua, on the ground that threats were employed to secure her consent to the marriage.
Early in 1926, Maria, an orphan, was brought from China to the Philippines by Maria del Pilar, the mother of Alejandro. On May 6, 1926, Maria asked the girl to sign a marriage certificate. When she refused to sign it, she was threatened with being taken back to China where she was told that young girls were being abducted by the Chinese.

The fear of being taken back to China and of being a victim of the Chinese abductors, finally induced her to marry Alejandro, the records of the case show.

THE R.H.K.Y.C.

(Continued from Page 9.)

Four. The following crews took part:—
Navy:—Lieut. G. Tanner. Lieut. R. W. Moir, Lieut. G. W. D. Duncan, Lieut. E. R. Gibson, Lieut. Commr. T. J. S. Bell.

Club:—K. S. Robertson, L. F. Nicholson, C. W. E. Bishop, R. M. Jack, H. J. Pearce.

Unfortunately, the Club stroke broke his stretcher strap on the first recovery, which gave the Navy a walk over.

6 Oared Gigs. In this race the Club was represented by:—B. Nass, A. Juell, J. R. L. Stanton, R. L. Moncrieff, H. Dreyer, W. R. Andrews, H. S. Rouse.

In strange surroundings the mere audubon did not show at his best, but the spirit was there. Thanks are due to Commodore J. L. Pearson, R.N. for the loan of his gig for training purposes.

Closing Cruise.

As usual the Levison Cup was rowed off on this occasion. The following crews competed:—
H.M.S. "Titan":—L. G. Tanner, Lt. R. W. Moir, Lt. G. W. D. Duncan, Lt. E. R. Gibson, Lt. G. D. Slade.

Volunteers:—J. C. M. Smith, C. H. Easterbrook, J. L. Stanton, K. S. Robertson, J. P. Lenfestey.

Bank:—J. H. Sutcliffe, R. MacIntyre, V. R. Jones, A. C. Groves, M. Mills.

B. & S.:—J. W. Robertson, J. D. Crawford, O. Moor, P. W. Blackwell, J. Mackay.

A fairly good start was made, soon after which "Titan" took the lead and crossed the line first, followed by Volunteers, B. & S. and Bank. By this was the 3rd in succession "Titan" won the Levison Cup outright.

Percy Smith Challenge Cup. This event was revived this year, the following crews competing:—
V. R. Jones, A. C. Groves, M. Mills.

C. B. Easterbrook, K. S. Robertson, F. P. Lenfestey, G. G. Thomson, G. T. Padgett, J. Mackay.

Bowling Sub-Committee. This Sub-Committee reports:—
The renovation of the greens as foreshadowed in last year's report has been undertaken. It was decided that a patchwork job would prove unsatisfactory so the entire relaying and reurfing of the greens was carried out by sanction of the General Committee. The finished work has been favourably commented on by players and visitors alike and there is every hope that the considerable expense involved will be amply repaid to the Club by attracting an increasing number of members and players.

We desire to record the co-operation with us of Mr. H. Green, the Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, to whom we are much indebted for advice and guidance in the relaying of the greens and the selection of proper turf.

For the fourth season we entered for the 2nd Division of the Lawn Bowls League and have been able to muster full teams of 12 players for all the 14 matches. This is worthy of mention as we have so few active bowling members to call upon while the number of our keen bowlers were away from the Colony for a great part of the season. We have regretfully to record only one win in the League matches but have been severely handicapped in our practices due to renovation of the greens, which were not available until July. We have entered a team for the 'Spey Royal' Cup kindly presented by Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., for annual competition, and the games are now in progress.

Messrs. G. R. Edwards, J. A. E. Bullock, L. J. Davies and Dr. J. Anderson are serving as the Bowling Sub-Committee, and the Bowler their hearty thanks to all those members who have turned out wearing pyjamas, although if they were seen in them in the corridor of a London hotel they would shriek with horror. These are the very proper ones, too.

Others, when they lie on the sands, after a bath, unfasten the straps of their bathing-dress and let them flow round their bodies, so as to show the sun as much as they possibly can.

The library now consists of 768 volumes, 110 of which deal with sailing and sea-faring matters, whilst the remainder are novels. Messrs. A. L. Shields and F. P. Lenfestey have very kindly given books to the latter section, and a donation of \$40 was sent anonymously. The shelves are crying out for more books. Donations will be welcome.

STILL ALIVE?

STORY OF A MYSTERY MAN
IN POLAND.

REMARKABLE LIKENESS.

Is the Czarevitch Alexis alive and hiding in Poland, biding the time? The "Polish" newspaper, "Express Foranny," publishes a sensational story dealing with the mystery of a man of twenty-two—the age the Czarevitch would be were he alive—who is at present living in the Polish town of Bydgoszcz.

The youth calls himself Eugen Nikolaevitch Ivanoff, and speaks fluent French, English, German and Russian.

He lives by embroidery work, at which he is an expert, as was the boy who is supposed to have perished in the massacre of the Russian Royal Family.

Ivanoff says he fled to Poland from his native country, Russia, nine years ago in the company of a Cossack. Ivanoff suffers from the same mysterious malady as did the boy Czarevitch—haemophilia.

Attitude of the Clergy. Russian Monarchists who have seen him in Poland declare that the likeness between Ivanoff and the "dead" Alexis is remarkable.

Ivanoff, however, denies that he is the Russian heir, but on Sundays he wears the old Russian uniform.

The Polish Catholic clergy have declared themselves supporters of Ivanoff.

When the youth arrived in Poland he was immediately received by a Polish priest in Chelm, who began to educate him, and Ivanoff became a convert to Roman Catholicism.

CEYLON GOVERNMENT.

DEMAND FOR RESPONSIBLE
REPRESENTATION.

The Colombo correspondent of the "Pinar Gazette" cables that the Ceylon National Congress has addressed a memorandum to the Reform Commission demanding responsibility for executive government in the legislature, the Premier to form a Cabinet of seven ministers, namely, Justice, Finance, Public Works, Education, Local Government, Agriculture and Industries; and the enlargement of the Council to 60 members, the Governor to have a veto power, the Premier to have the right of appeal to the Secretary of State.

An Upper House was disapproved thereby avoiding duality, the members of the executive to be members of the Legislative Council.

Special representation, the cable adds, should not be allowed to retard the establishment of responsible self-government in Ceylon.

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TAX ON BACHELORS.

Germany does not take kindly to Mussolini's idea of taxing bachelors, if the temper of the Bavarian legislature may be accepted as an indication of the feelings of all Germans.

When the Bavarian budget was brought into the diet recently, some member, in the hope of increasing the state's income, proposed a tax on bachelors similar to that decreed by Mussolini.

The minister of finance, opposing the suggestion, declared that the cost of determining the size of the tax in each case and the additional personnel required for ensuring its collection were out of all proportion to the results expected.

The diet sided with the minister and voted down the bill.

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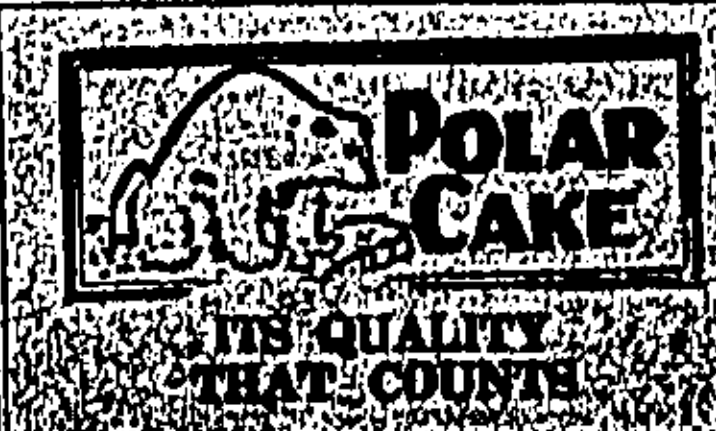
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